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Dr. Vivek Murthy, U.S. Surgeon General  
@Surgeon\_General

I was deeply disappointed to read this story. Health misinformation has harmed people's health and cost lives. In the Surgeon General's Advisory on Health Misinformation, I stated clearly that tech platforms have a responsibility to improve our health information ecosystem.



The Washington Post @washingtonpost · Oct 28, 2021

Facebook researchers had deep knowledge of how coronavirus and vaccine misinformation moved through the company's apps, according to documents disclosed by Facebook whistleblower Frances Haugen. wapo.st/3mmERBx

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Dr. Vivek Murthy, U.S. Surgeon ... @Surgeon\_G... · Oct 29, 2021  
Replying to @Surgeon\_General

What continues to be lacking from Facebook and other tech companies is transparency and accountability. Only the companies understand the full extent of misinformation's spread and impact – yet they have not yet shared this data with independent researchers and the public.

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Without this critical data, it is much harder to design the right interventions or hold the platforms accountable.

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When I talk to doctors and nurses around the country, a common refrain I hear is: "I'm fighting COVID by day in the hospital, and I'm fighting misinformation by night on social media."

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When I talk to people around our country about where they heard common myths about COVID19 and the vaccine, the majority of the time they say social media.

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With the possibility of vaccines for 5-11 year olds on the horizon, it is even more urgent that we ensure families are getting accurate, science-based information so they can make the right decision for their children.

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We must demand Facebook and the rest of the social media ecosystem take responsibility for stopping health misinformation on their platforms. The time for excuses and half measures is long past. We need transparency and accountability now. The health of our country is at stake.

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Dad, husband, doctor, a dedicated leader  
Dedicated to building a kinder, more connected world  
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**Robert Reich**  @RBReich · 22h

Memo to the media: Please don't say inflation is at a 40-year high without also mentioning that corporate profits are at a 70-year high. Give the people the full picture.

6,847

46.9K

137.8K

**Lisa Bloom**  @LisaBloom · 13h

Hey Twitter employees getting laid off tomorrow! IMPORTANT INFO from a CA employment attorney (me):

CA's "WARN" law requires Twitter to give you 60 days notice of a massive layoff.

A layoff of 50+ employees within a 30 day period qualifies.



I know you didn't get that notice.

2,016

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**Nancy Pelosi**  @SpeakerPelosi · 17h

The Pelosi family is thankful for the beautiful outpouring of love, support and prayers from around the world.



Paul remains under doctors' care as he continues to progress on a long recovery process and convalescence. He is now home surrounded by his family who request privacy.

8,610

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**Joe Biden**  @JoeBiden · 17h



United States government official

If we elect two more Democrats to the Senate and keep control of the House, we're going to codify Roe v. Wade in January so it's the law of the land.

18K


13.9K

72.7K

**John Fetterman**  @JohnFetterman · 14h

US Senate candidate, PA

WELCOME TO #TEAMFETTERMAN, @Oprah!! 🥰




today.com  
Oprah Winfrey announces her support for Dr. Oz opponent, John Fett...  
Winfrey shared the news during "A Virtual Voting Conversation" held on Nov. 3.

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swaths of their content moderation capability, four days before opening up identity-confirmation-free verification to the whole website which will happen...the day before a national election.


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**Jeff Nesbit**  @jeffnesbit · 21h

My money is on @AOC in the fight you picked, @elonmusk



From **The Recount** 

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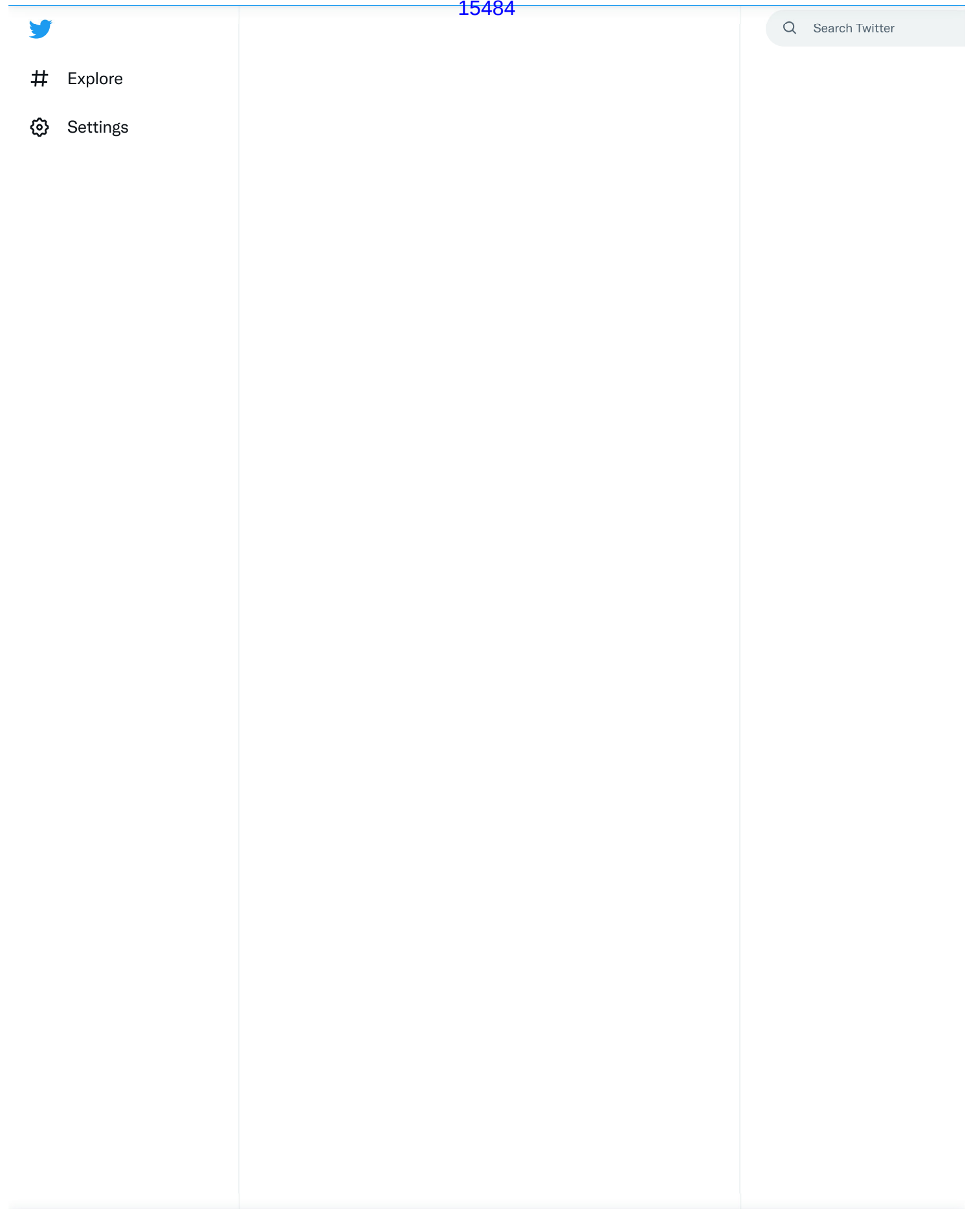
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